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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **August 7**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Thursday**, **August 11**, **2022**, in those waters south of 54°54.50′ N lat [approximately 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) south of Foggy Point], with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.03′ N lat.

District 6: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 7, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 9, 2022, with the following restrictions:

Section 6-D: will be closed;

Salmon Bay: will be open to normal markers.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 7, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 9, 2022, with the following restrictions:

<u>Frederick Sound</u>: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nmi off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.27′ N lat, 132°58.96′ W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73′ N lat, 132°56.64′ W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55′ N lat, 132°49.27′ W long;

Stikine River: will be closed within a line from a point 500 yards north of Japanese Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.62′ N lat, 132°37.11′ W long to the northern end of Coney Island at 56°41.62′ N lat, 132°38.92′ W long to the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island at 56°40.77′ N lat, 132°39.28′ W long to a point on Mitkof Island near the eastern entrance to Blind Slough at 56°31.88′ N lat, 132°40.66′ W long to the nearby small island at 56°31.83′ N lat, 132°40.17′ W long to the southern end of Greys Island at 56°30.67′ N lat, 132°33.05′ W long to the southern end of Liesnoi Island at 56°29.83′ N lat, 132°29.19′ W long to Point Highfield at 56°29.34′ N lat, 132°23.36′ W long then along the Wrangell Island shoreline to Hour Point at 56°27.73′ N lat, 132°16.79′ W long to Babbler Point at 56°29.08′ N lat, 132°17.37′ W long.

Section 11-B north of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76′ N lat: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 7, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 11, 2022.

Section 11-B south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76′ N lat: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **August 7**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Wednesday**, **August 10**, **2022**, with the following restrictions:

<u>Limestone Inlet</u>: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.04′ N lat, 133°59.60′ W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.75′ N lat, 133°59.40′ W long (outside markers);

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman at 57°58.42′ N lat, 133°53.93′ W long to Point Anmer at 57°56.09′ N lat, 133°51.01′ W long;

<u>Gillnet mesh restriction</u>: the minimum allowed mesh size is 6 inches south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76′ N lat from **12:01 p.m.**, **Tuesday**, **August 9**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Wednesday**, **August 10**.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **August 7**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Wednesday**, **August 10**, **2022**, in those waters north of the latitude of Battery Point at 59°12.62′ N lat, with the following restriction:

<u>Lutak Inlet</u>: will be closed north of a line at the Chilkoot River terminus marked by ADF&G regulatory markers located at 59°19.06′ N lat, 135°33.29′ W long to 59°19.47′ N lat, 135°32.59′ W long.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **August 7**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Tuesday**, **August 9**, **2022**, in those waters south of the latitude of Battery Point at 59°12.62′ N lat, with the following restriction:

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Ayiklutu (Seduction) Point at 59°04.93′ N lat.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 7, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 10, 2022, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of Point Bridget at 58°40.73′ N lat;

St. James Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Whidbey at 58°34.65′ N lat, 135°08.69′ W long to Saint James Point at 58°33.75′ N lat, 135°09.91′ W long.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 7, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 10, 2022**, in the Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA) outer waters east of 135°09.57′ W long, within 2.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95′ N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96′ N lat, with the following restriction:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93′ N lat.

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor THA inner waters west of 135°09.57′ W long will remain open until further notice with no restrictions.

To date, 812 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 1,300 sockeye salmon, well below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and may take management action through statistical week 33.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is being managed according to the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360). The District 1 purse seine fishery is expected to receive two days of fishing time during statistical week 33. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given four days of fishing time. If the District 1 purse seine fishery is open for more than two days during statistical week 33 the fishing time in Section 1-B will be extended accordingly.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5522.

# Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 32 (July 31 through August 6) Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 4, 2022

#### NUMBER OF SALMON

								Days
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open
District 1	30	1,400	1,400	110,000	31,000	143,830	40	5
District 6	50	4,000	1,000	18,000	23,000	46,050	50	2
District 8	30	250	100	2,000	31,000	33,380	35	2
District 11	30	10,000	700	10,000	33,000	53,730	40	5
District 15	70	76,000	6	10,000	43,000	129,076	100	5
Total	210	91,650	3,206	150,000	161,000	406,066		

#### FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	1	35	35	2,750	775	3,596
District 6	1	80	20	360	460	921
District 8	1	7	3	57	886	954
District 11	1	250	18	250	825	1,343
District 15	1	760	0	100	430	1,291

Southeast Cove THA harvest to date: 38,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: confidential.

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